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TAGS: PDIP, MA
SUBJECT:PLO DELEGATION VISITS MADAGASCAR

1. LOCAL PRESS REPORTED 12/23 ON VISIT TO TANANARIVE OF THREE-MAN PLO DELEGATION LED BY SALMAN EL HARFI, CHIEF OF PLO'S AFRICAN OFFICE. GROUP ALSO INCLUDES WADI MOHAMED, CHIEF OF PLO'S LATIN AMERICAN OFFICE, AND FANAD AL BITAR, PLO REP IN DAR ES SALAAM.

2. IN STATEMENT TO PRESS, MR. HARFI THANKED PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE OF MADAGASCAR FOR THEIR UNRESERVED SUPPORT OF ARAB, AND PARTICULARLY PALESTINIAN, CAUSES. HE EMPHASIZED THAT THIS VISIT, THE DELEGATION'S FIRST TO MADAGASCAR, RESULTED FROM LONGSTANDING FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN MADAGASCAR AND PLO. HE ADDED THAT DISCUSSIONS WITH MALAGASY FOREIGN MINISTER BRUNO RAKOTOMAVO TOUCHED ON SITUATION IN MIDDLE EAST AT BOTH REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEVELS AND ALSO ON AFRO-ARABIC COOPERATION. HE SAID PALESTINIAN PEOPLE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN VICTIMS OF IMPERIALISTS AND REACTIONARIES, BUT SUPPORTED BY THE MAJORITY OF ARAB PEOPLE, PALESTINAIANS
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HAVE BEEN ABLE TO FOIL WASHINGTON'S ATTEMPTS IN LEBANON TO LIQUIDATE AND REDUCE THE ROLE PLAYED BY PALESTINIANS IN CONTRIBUTING TO WORLD PEACE.

3. PRESS DID NOT REPORT ANY RESPONSE TO PLO STATEMENTS BY MALAGASY FOREIGN MINISTER.

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4. DELEGATION SCHEDULED TO LEAVE FOR SENEGAL DEC. 27.
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